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SUBJ: CIVAIR-JAL HIJACKING

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1. GOF ORLY AIR POLICE PROVIDE ALL PASSENGER SCREENING SERVICES AT PARIS AIRPORT. STANDARD EQUIPMENT IS IN USE INCLUDING A RAREFIED ATMOSPHERE SIMULATION DEVICE AVAILABLE TO CARRIERS FOR USE IN CHECKING BAGGAGE, POSTAL PACKAGES AND AIR FREIGHT.
2. AIR SECURITY MEETINGS ARE CONDUCTED ON SCHEDULED BASIS OF CARRIERS AND CHAIRED BY THE CHIEF OF AIR SECURITY POLICE. SECURITY POLICIES ARE DISCUSSED AND CARRIERS ARE WELL REPRESENTED.
3. DUE TO PERSONNEL LIMITATIONS APPROX. 80 PER CENT OF AIR FRANCE FLIGHTS ARE SCREENED BY POLICE ON A RANDOM BASIS. OTHER CARRIERS MAY WAVE COMPLETE PASSENGERS SCREENING (BODY AND HAND BAGGAGE SEARCH) THRU PRIOR APPROVAL CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN CARRIERS AND SECURITY POLICE. IT HAS BEEN THE POLICY OF CERTAIN CARRIERS TO REQUEST THIS WAVER ON NORTH BOUND (POLAR) FLIGHTS WITH DESTINATIONS RARELY TARGETED BY HIJACKERS. THIS WAS THE CASE

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OF THE JAL HIJACKED 747 FLIGHT.

4. SCREENING THAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AT PARIS AIRPORT IS AT NO COST TO CARRIERS AND HAS UNCOVERED APPROX. 1,000 VARIOUS ITEMS MONTHLY THAT COULD BE USED BY POTENTIAL HIJACKERS.

5. POLICY OF JAL PARIS. JAL PARIS STATION PERSONNEL USE A STANDARD COMPANY MANUAL OF PROCEDURES NO. 417 AS POLICY GUIDANCE. THIS MANUAL OUTLINES AND PRESCRIBES THREE DISTINCT TYPES OF PASSENGERS SCREEN WHICH ARE NUMBERED 1, 2, 3. ONE BEING THE LEAST DETAILED AND THREE THE MOST COMPLETE. STATION MANAGERS RECEIVE THEIR INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO AS TO WHICH NUMBER SECURITY CHECK WILL BE PERFORMED.

6. PRIOR TO THE RECENT HIJACK OF JAL 747, THIS PARTICULAR FLIGHT WAS GIVEN A CLASS ONE SCREENING. REQUIRING NO BODY OR HAND-BAGGAGE SEARCH. WAVER HAD BEEN COORDINATED IN WRITING WITH ORLY AIR POLICE. (REASON FOR HIJACKERS SUCCESS IN BOARDING WITH WEAPONS).

7. NEEDLESS TO SAY SINCE HIJACK ALL JAL FLIGHTS FROM PARIS HAVE RECEIVED A CLASS THREE COMPLETE SCREENING.

8. IN DISCUSSION WITH GOF OFFICIALS, CONSIDERABLE INTEREST WAS SHOWED IN US SCREENING PROCEDURES AND FRENCH AUTHORITIES INDICATE THEY MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THEIR PROCEDURES WITH FAA SPECIALISTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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